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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of

Daiji NAKA et al.

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SPECIFIC ANTIBODY DIRECTED TO
ACTIVE HEPATOCYTE GROWTH
FACTOR ACTIVATOR AND METHOD
FOR USING THE SAME

THE COMMISSIONER IS AUTHORIZED
TO CHARGE ANY DEFICIENCY IN THE
FEES FOR THIS PAPER TO DEPOSIT
ACCOUNT NO. 23-0975

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Assistant Commissioner for Patents,
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Please amend the above-identified application as follows:

In the Abstract:

Please insert the attached Abstract between page 70 of the claims and Figure 1 of the
Figures.

REMARKS

In reply to the Notice to File Missing Parts, an Abstract is provided for this application.

In addition, as required by the Notice To File Missing Parts, it is confirmed that the
content of the Sequence Listing information recorded in computer readable form filed on

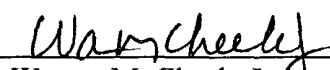
December 4, 2001 is identical to the paper copy of the Sequence Listing concurrently filed on December 4, 2001, and that such paper and computer readable copies contain no new matter.

Favorable action on the merits is solicited.

Respectfully submitted,

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